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1, Requirements

Problem: To develop adequate arrangements for providing coordinated requirements by priority for the several collection units.

Status: The following developments have taken place since the last Status of Projects Report:

- a. The IAC has established an Interagency Priorities Committee to develop coordinated guidance for covert collection. This Committee operates under the Chairmanship of O/BO and the agency view is presented by O/IC with the guidance and assistance of the substantive offices. Members have (thus far) developed a list of 50 most important geographical targets for collection to meet the needs of their respective Agencies. The Committee is now seeking to develop a procedure for establishing a single governmental list of 50 targets.
 - b. The Economic Intelligence Committee under the leadership of O/RR has established a subcommittee on requirements for economic reporting with the specific mission of giving coordinated priority guidance to the State Department for its use in administration of the Foreign Service Reporting System.
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- d. No problems relating to the collection systems of Army, Air, and Navy, and of the Foreign Service (except economic reporting as noted above in b.) and falling within the coordination responsibility of O/IC have become apparent.
 - e. At the request of G-2, CIA is compiling its requirements which might be met through the exploitation of censorship.
 - f. No complaints have been received by O/IC regarding O/CD's handling of ad hoc or spot requirements.

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2. Coordination of Scientific Intelligence

Problem: To determine the location of responsibilities for the production of scientific intelligence and the means whereby these should be coordinated.

Status: General Smith has informed the IAC that he is requesting several highly qualified individuals, such as Dr. Conant, to undertake a reexamination of the problem of production of scientific and technical intelligence and to submit recommendations on what should be the most effective relationships among the agencies for this purpose. O/IC is prepared to assist Dr. Conant and his group as appropriate. Currently O/IC is assisting O/SI wherever possible in developing and continuing a modus vivendi.

3. Current Intelligence

Problem: To examine the production of current intelligence in the Federal Intelligence System, with particular reference to CIA's role and responsibility including the Watch Committee function.

Status: At present O/IC is considering this problem mainly from 3 points of view:

- a. The Watch Committee function.
- b. Apparent duplications and misunderstandings between O/CI and O/NE and between O/CI and State/OIR.
- c. The possibility of producing current intelligence for top level consumers on a contributive basis. This would involve some distinction between "national" and "departmental" current intelligence.

4. Intelligence Support for O/SO and O/PC

Problem: To identify and recommend ways of obtaining intelligence-research support needed but not now received by O/SO and O/PC.

Status: An O/IC draft paper has been discussed informally with O/SO, O/PC, O/CI, O/CD, O/RR, Management, State and G-2. Disagreements are being ironed out. It recommends the establishment of a new Operational Intelligence Unit under DD/P.

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5. Exploitation of Foreign Language Publications

Problem: To develop and propose the most effective means by which the intelligence value of foreign language publications and documents can be exploited for the benefit of the intelligence community.

Status: The concept of centralized exploitation of this intelligence is under reexamination because of the improved linguistic capabilities among analysts since the present system was put into effect. It may be that a comprehensive indexing function supplemented by translation on specific request will turn out to be a more effective approach.

6. Coordination of External Research

Problem: (a) To determine the extent of CIA's responsibility for the coordination of social science research on foreign areas performed by non-governmental institutions or individuals on contract with the Government.
(b) To recommend arrangements by which CIA should discharge this responsibility.

Status: O/IC has a draft paper which has been discussed informally with O/RH, O/O, Management and State. It is expected that this paper will be ready for submission to the Director's Staff Conference in the near future. In general it recommends that the present Joint State-CIA External Research Staff be made clearly responsible for the coordination of non-governmental social science research.

7. Biographic Intelligence

Problem: To develop the most effective biographic facilities for the intelligence community.

Status: Examination of the problem thus far has led to the following tentative conclusions: (a) a completely centralized facility is not at present practicable; (b) intra-departmental centralization should be developed to the maximum, with departmental responsibilities for maintaining personality files based on the "end use" concept of each department maintaining those files which best meet its departmental needs; (c) completely free access, subject only to legitimate security considerations, should obtain among the departmental biographic facilities, so that all the resources of the intelligence community will be exploited to meet the requirements of any department. Arrangements to achieve this are being discussed.

8. Dissemination of U. S. Intelligence to Foreign Governments

Problem: To examine and collate present policies and practices by which U. S. intelligence is transmitted to foreign governments, and if necessary to develop procedures for its control.

Status: As a first step O/IC is examining present practices.

9. Foreign Nationality Groups in the U. S.

Problem: To recommend how the intelligence potential of foreign nationality groups within the United States can be exploited most effectively.

Status: O/IC and the State Department have indicated the nature of their interest in the subject. O/O has reported on its activities in this connection. O/IC tentatively agrees with O/O that an extension of O/O activities sufficient to meet O/IC and State requirements would not be warranted. Discussions are continuing.